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SUBJ: PALESTINIAN REFUGEES RETURNING TO SOUTH

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- 1. LOCAL UNRWA DIRECTOR ROBERT PREVOT TOLD EMBOFF APRIL 6 THAT ABOUT 50 PERCENT OF THE PALESTINIAN REFUGEES FROM DAMOUR HAD RETURNED TO DAMOUR AS OF APRIL 5. HE SAID THAT PLO ON APRIL 5 HAD BEGUN TRYING TO GET ALL PALESTINIANS IN BEIRUT TO RETURN SOUTH.
- 2. PLO HAD BEEN LESS SUCCESSFUL IN BEIRUT THAN IN SIDON, BECAUSE MANY OF THE REFUGEES IN BEIRUT WERE SCATTERED THROUGHOUT THE CITY IN APARTMENTS AND WERE NOT IN CAMPS. (PREVOT HAD SAID ON APRIL 4 THAT ABOUT 50-60 PERCENT OF THE PALESTINIANS IN SIDON HAD RETURNED TO TYRE AREA.) MANY OF THE REFUGEES DID NOT WANT CONFIDENTIAL

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TO LEAVE THE APARTMENTS BEFORE EXTRACTING SOME SORT OF BRIBE FROM THE OWNERS. IT WAS CLEAR, HOWEVER, THAT PLO WAS MAKING MAJOR EFFORT TO GET ALL REFUGEES TO GO BACK SOUTH.
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